

# KINGS COUNTY GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

## CITY MEMBERS

Dennis Tristao - Chair  
Judy Horn

## COUNTY MEMBERS

Joe Neves  
Jim Gregory

## COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Alicia Jacobo  
Doyle Davis  
Vacant - Alternate

## PUBLIC MEMBERS

Mark Pohle  
Bob Lewis  
Glenn Estes

## DISTRICT MEMBERS

Ronnie Silva  
James Lohry  
Louie Rodrigues – Alternate

## AGRICULTURAL MEMBERS

Michael Miya  
Craig Pedersen – Vice Chair  
Charles Meyer - Alternate  
Roger McVay – Alternate

Garry Curtis – City/Public Alternate

## COMMERCIAL MEMBERS

Jim Olivas  
Jeff Stivers  
John Bolze - Alternate

## KINGS COUNTY

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The Kings County General Plan Advisory Committee (KCGPAC) meeting was called to order by Chairman Tristao at 6:30 p.m., on March 20, 2008. The KCGPAC meeting was held in the Multi-Purpose Room, Kings County Government Center, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., in Hanford, California.

The Chairman reminded everyone present to turn off all electronic devices, except those used for public safety purposes.

Roll call of members was conducted by Mr. Gatzka, and a quorum of appointed committee members were in attendance.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Gregory, Dennis Tristao, Alicia Jacobo, Doyle Davis, James Lohry, Michael Miya, Jim Olivas, Ronnie, Silva, Mark Pohle, Bobby Lewis, Glen Estes

**COMMITTEE ALTERNATES PRESENT:** Garry Curtis, John Bolze

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joe Neves, Judith Horn, Craig Peterson, Charles Meyer, Jeff Stivers

**COMMITTEE ALTERNATES ABSENT:** Louie Rodrigues, Roger McVay

**STAFF PRESENT:** Greg Gatzka, Jeremy Kinney,

**VISITORS PRESENT:** None

## APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. Gatzka informed the Committee they could rescind a previous motion that moved Judy Horn into a City Member position which would allow Gary Curtis to permanently fill the vacant City Member position, if approved by the Commission. Motion was moved by Glenn Estes and seconded by Bobby Lewis, followed by the unanimous approval of the Commission.

## UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

None

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made and seconded (Curtis, Lohry) to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2008 GPAC minutes. The motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Mr. Gatzka informed the Committee that tonight's presentation would primarily focus on the completion of review to chapter 3 of the Armona Community Plan and the continuation through chapter 8. A discussion commenced concerning the system provided in the plan determining how parkland dedication will occur, which will be through in-lieu fees by developers.

Discussion of Chapter 4 was centered around creating a sense of place for Armona. This could be accomplished through the organization of community events centered around the railroad and packing house themes. In addition allowing small incubator opportunities will be encouraged and the County shall work with EDC and the ACSO to encourage additional economic development.

Discussion of chapters 5-6 was centered around the community's services and circulation including street signage, water tower painting options, and future road construction following the historical street grid layout system within Armona. Circulation discussion also was centered around the proposed bike paths to Hanford's regional shopping center and the new College of Sequoias campus in addition to Caltrans proposed 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue realignment.

The committee centered its discussion of chapter 7 on the possibility of promoting produce stands, pedestrian safety, and primarily healthy eating options within the community. Due to a lack of time, the committee decided to continue with chapter seven during the next committee meeting in order to review changes made to the chapter. Chapter 8 will also be presented for committee review.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. Glenn Estes was thanked for providing numerous historical photos that were incorporated into the Armona Community Plan.
- B. Doyle Davis was thanked for his inspiring the cleanup of debris and vegetation along the railroad corridor through Downtown Armona which was coordinated by the County Fire Department, County Probation Department and County Public Works Department.

**ADJOURNMENT** – With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

- A. **Next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on April 17, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory R. Gatzka, Deputy Planning Director